

**Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional
Local Human Rights Committee**

April 19, 2012

Betty Whitehead Conference Room – Danville/Pittsylvania Community Services Board

NOTE: These minutes are subject to approval by the LHRC at its next meeting. Should revisions be made, they will be included as an item in the minutes of that meeting.

LHRC Members in Attendance: Kelly Matthews; Greg Casker; Lesa Shelton; Jeanne White; Beverly Scruggs

LHRC Members Not in Attendance: Jeff Rodden; Esther Goins

Other Representatives in Attendance: Kevin Paluszak, Regional VI Advocate

SVMHI patient Advocate Senior: Jennifer Kovack

Affiliates Not In Attendance: A New Inspiration; Children and Family Community Development; Fletcher Center; Oasis Support Services

Minutes Recorder: Jerri Phillips, SVMHI

Regional LHRC Minutes and Meeting Schedule: The Regional Local Human Rights Committee (LHRC) minutes and meeting schedule can be located on the Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute's Web Page @ www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov under the heading of Client Advocacy.

Welcome/Call to Order: Chairman Greg Casker called the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Local Human Rights Committee meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Approval of Minutes: March 7, 2012 minutes were approved.

Affiliation Request: The Committee approved the following requests:

Negril, Inc. requested the addition of a higher functioning Day Support Service to be located in the Big Daddy Restaurant location. Hands-on skills will be taught and hopefully clients will be employed. Up to 30 clients can be served.

New Hope Support Services requested an addition of psycho-social rehabilitation services to a Franklin Turnpike location providing group mental health services.

Crossroads Treatment Center requested approval for their outpatient substance abuse center located on Meadowview Drive. They are currently still in the application process but hope to serve the 60-70 clients from Danville who are currently receiving services in Greensboro.

Turning Point Family Services requested mental health support services at 625 Piney Forest Road which will be funded by Medicaid.

The Link requested support services in mental health and substance abuse located on Piney Forest Road. In-home services will be provided for children.

Policy Review: Kingdom Dominion requested permission to install cameras in the common areas to monitor behavior. Chairman Casker wants the committee to review the policy and make a decision at the next meeting. It was recommended that Kingdom Dominion review and collaborate with Hughes Center as they recently developed these same policies.

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Advocate's Report: **Kevin Paluszak** reported that Region 6 needs 7 advocates and has 3. He will be here through May and then will transfer to Northern Virginia. He reminded affiliates to review regulations to avoid citations.

Affiliate Reports:

- **Alliant:** No complaints
- **All Care:** Recently completed a citation follow-up in which health history forms were updated. There were 3 complaints with 1 case pending; 2 resolved.
- **Danville/Pittsylvania CSB:**
 - **Mental Health and Crisis Stabilization:** No allegations; two complaints regarding confidentiality/dignity were unfounded. Clinical supervision was given.
 - **Intellectual Disability:** One abuse incident – a patient was escorted across state lines. Standards of conduct were used as HIPAA was violated and the employee did not follow the service plan.
- **Danville Regional Medical Center:** One peer-to-peer incident is under investigation.
- **Diverse Family Services:** They are currently waiting for their site visit.
- **Doss Estates:** They experienced several licensure visits. They have had rapid staff turnover. Incidents included scheduled meds not being given; lack of documentation; one complaint of weight gain. One client fell out of bed three times – now he has a double bed. The following training has been completed – diabetes training; human resource training; audits and regulation training; recertified in TOVA; in-service with CTC; medication training.
- **Family Preservation Services:** 31 individuals served this quarter; no allegations of abuse/neglect; no complaints
- **Hughes Center for Exceptional Children:** 239 Peer-to-Peer incidents were reported with 6 serious incidents. There was a license visit and one elopement. 45 individuals served this quarter; 2 abuse allegations pending; no other complaints. Re-licensed for 18 months.
- **Interventions of Virginia:** Waiting site review
- **Joshua Home Family Services:** 2 individuals served; no abuse/neglect; no complaints. One car accident was reported/ client is doing well.
- **Kingdom Dominion, LLC:** Transition of CVCC client going well. No abuse/neglect.
- **Life Support Services:** Mental health support services opened in March – No incidents to report.
- **MT Sorrell Home Arc of Southside:** No incidents to report. The video policy is currently being rewritten to reflect the removal of all video cameras from inside the home.
- **Negril:** 41 clients being served in Day Support. No complaints. They are also currently serving 36 in-home and 4 in a group home. They have a vacant home that can hold 6. No allegations have been made; 2 employees were terminated and 6 have been hired in the group home and 3 for in-home services. They will have a summer program funded by Medicaid which will be an educational day school.
- **New Hope:** No allegations of abuse/neglect.
- **Support Services of Virginia:** They have an available home for rent or purchase.
- **Therapeutic Interventions:** No complaints of abuse.
- **Virginia Health Partners:** No complaints – currently serving 1 client.

Other Business: Depending on the quality of the reports received, the LHRC may consider quarterly meetings. A reminder was made that reports are due prior to the 5th of the month.

Next Meeting: June 21, 2012 at 5:30 PM at the Danville-Pittsylvania CSB – Betty Whitehead Conference Room.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM

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